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KITZINGEN CEREMONY WILL WELCOME SOLDIERS OF V CORPS' 1ST INFANTRY DIVISION HOME FROM IRAQ

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KITZINGEN, **Germany --** Soldiers of V Corps' 1st Infantry Division from the 417th Base Support Battalion community who recently returned from a yearlong deployment to Iraq will be officially welcomed home during a community-wide celebration on Harvey Barracks here April 15.

The celebration will kick off at 2 p.m. with a military ceremony on the airfield. Following the ceremony, a celebration will take place inside a large fest tent adjacent to the airfield. A half-dozen live bands will perform throughout the evening on three different stages. Free food and beverages will be available, and a number of adult and children's rides will be available free of charge.

The celebration is open to all military and civilian ID card holders, as well as local national employees who have installation passes, and their families.

"We plan to recognize our Soldiers for the great job they did, and the many personnel who provided services back here during the yearlong deployment," said Lt. Col. Thomas Fass, 417th BSB commander.

"We invite everyone in the community to come join us on that day," Fass added.

Access onto Harvey Barracks for the event will be through the south gate and parking will be along the airfield. Shuttle bus service to the event, from locations throughout the 417th BSB, will also be offered.

For more information, call the 417th BSB Public Affairs Office at 355-1600 or 09321-3051600.

